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AIR FREIGHT UP 13.5% IN NOVEMBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 27, 1988 -- Air freight traffic increased 14.7 percent in November, compared with November a year ago, and was up 16.5 percent for the first eleven months of this year for the 22 air carriers reporting cargo data to the Air Transport Association.

Domestic air freight in November rose 11.5 percent. Mail was up 7.5 percent. Total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, registered a gain of 10.7 percent.

International air freight of U.S. carriers in November was up 18.1 percent. Mail increased 2.2 percent, and total cargo rose 16.4 percent.

In the first eleven months of the year, domestic air freight had a gain of 12.9 percent. Mail increased 3.1 percent, and total cargo was up 10.7 percent.

International air freight in the first eleven months rose 20.6 percent, mail was up 3.2 percent and total cargo increased 18.9 percent.

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CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

	DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
NOVEMBER 1988	429,560	109,200	538,760	432,823	44,566	477,389	862,383	1,016,149
NOVEMBER 1987	385,356	101,540	486,896	366,367	43,618	409,985	751,723	896,881
PERCENT CHANGE	11.5	7.5	10.7	18.1	2.2	16.4	14.7	13.3
11 MONTHS 1988	4,412,121	1,161,581	5,573,702	4,136,745	392,574	4,529,319	8,548,866	10,103,021
11 MONTHS 1987	3,907,514	1,127,174	5,034,688	3,429,405	380,571	3,809,976	7,336,919	8,844,664
PERCENT CHANGE	12.9	3.1	10.7	20.6	3.2	18.9	16.5	14.2

NOTE: Carriers included: AirCal, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Hawaiian, Jet America, Northwest, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Southwest, TranStar, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.